

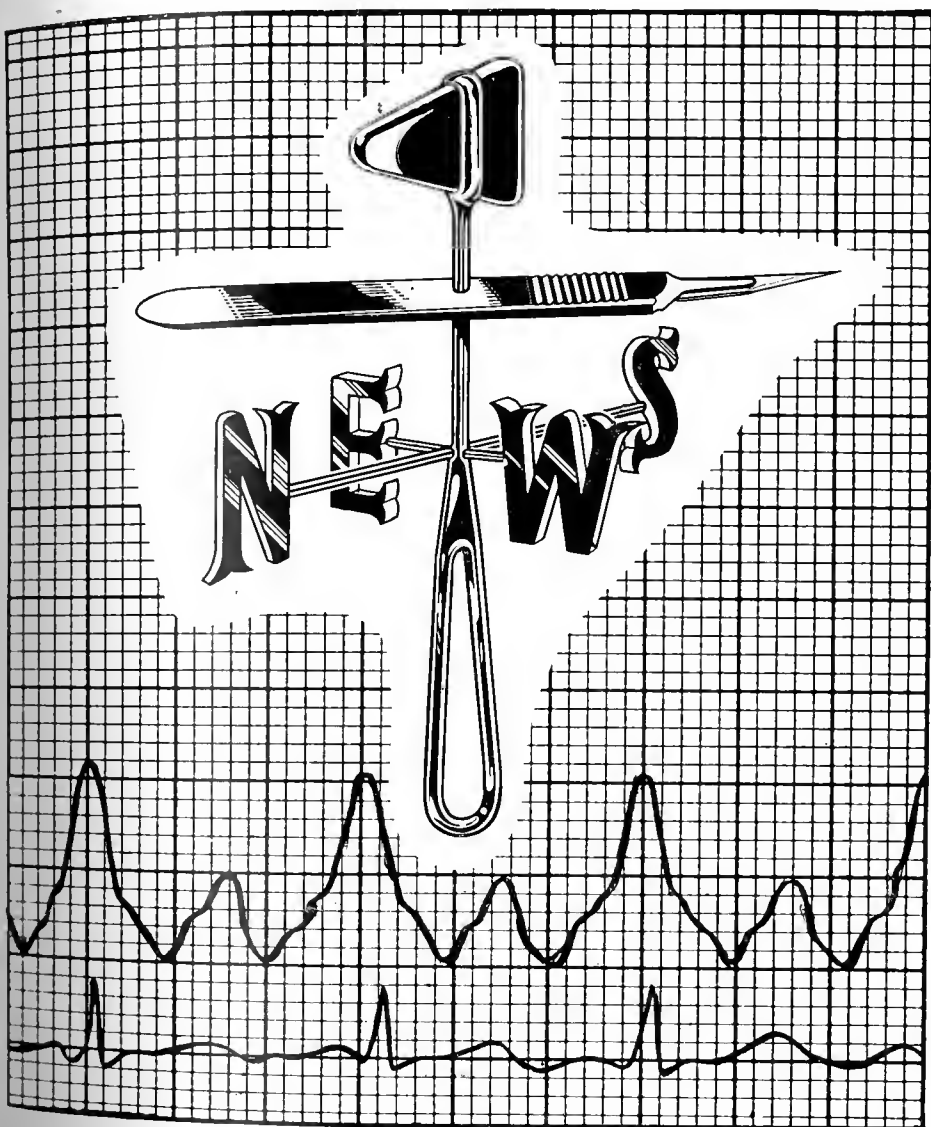
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Thursday, April 18, 1968

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SPEAKER:

David M. Reed, Ph. D., M.P.H.
Director of Training, School of Medicine
University of Pennsylvania

TOPIC:

Medicine and the Sexual Revolution



6:00 p.m. Social Hour

6:30 p.m. Dinner (\$5.00)

7:30 p.m. Meeting

PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF DATE

In order to accomodate the speaker, the date of the April meeting was changed from Tuesday to Thursday, the 18th.

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From the Desk of the President

IT'S YOUR TURN

So far this year the membership of MCMS has been subjected to social meetings of one sort or another. January was the installation banquet, February was heart month with guest speaker Dr. Hellerstein. March was the Medical-Legal banquet with Rev. Joseph Lucas as speaker. This month's meeting, April 18th, is to be a combined meeting with the Auxiliary, with guest speaker, Dr. David M. Reed, who will speak on the controversial question of sex education in medical schools.

This concentrated diet of social meetings combined with a guest speaker, has proved to be popular with most members, however, there has been an undertone of grumbling from other members who feel that they are not getting a chance to have their say in the business affairs of the society. As a result, we have decided to add a few business items to the agenda of the April meeting.

There are some items which should be discussed at the meeting next Thursday, April 18th. Perhaps you should be thinking about them and thus be better prepared for discussion.

1. *Relationship with Osteopathic physicians.* This seems like an annual problem, but some recent discussions with the Osteopathic group has indicated that they would like to be included in attending some of our scientific meetings.

2. *Donation for feasibility study.* In September, Council passed a motion to donate \$2000 to Dr. Caccamo's committee to be applied toward the cost of a feasibility study for a medical school in our community. Such an amount of money requires the approval of the general membership.

3. *New Meeting plans.* If time permits, we may also discuss a plan submitted by Dr. Schreiber which would incorporate two or more meetings into one meeting night, thus reducing the number of nights-out for meetings.

These are some of the things we will discuss on April 18th. Please feel free to bring up any other problems you may wish to discuss. If this seems to improve member interest, we will plan a similar meeting for May.

—Robert R. Fisher, M.D.
President

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Editorial

Last month in this column, a plea for cooperation between Government and Medicine was made. An example of the need for such harmony is presenting itself. President Johnson, in his State of the Union Message, stated that he wanted the Federal Government to provide medical care for all expectant mothers, and for infants under one year of age.

This earth-shaking statement was precipitated by the fact that the United States is not making a very good showing as to its neonatal death rate. We now stand 13th in comparison with the other major nations. The reasons for this poor showing are not completely clear. Different methods for compiling statistics may account for part, but not all of it. Many observers feel that prenatal care is a significant factor, and not all pregnant women get the excellent care that is standard for the majority of our population. Whether good care is not available to all, or whether some women do not avail themselves of care is another question.

The point, however, is that a problem exists. It is an important problem, and it is a medical problem. It is a problem that deserves an answer, and if medicine does not provide one; Government, as usual, will.

Happily, part of the solution to this problem is being provided at the present time. Medical centers all over the country are developing a new concept of newborn care — "The intensive care unit" for premature and sick newborns. Traditionally, in order to prevent cross-infection, sick infants and prematures are isolated and separated to prevent them from infecting each other. For example, babies born outside the hospital must be kept in observation nurseries until the possibility of infection is ruled out. If such an infant is gravely ill, this can deprive him of the constant care he needs. There are not enough nurses or specialized equipment to care for sick newborns if they are scattered in several different nurseries.

Yale University Medical Center cares for all sick newborns in one unit, no matter what their disease is, and by doing this, has decreased their neonatal death rate to half that of the national average. Furthermore, their infection rate has not increased at all.

This then is the type of answer we need, and this is where the money must be spent. Much more research is needed in this area, and other areas

as well. If a portion of our population is not getting good prenatal care we must find out why and then do something about it before the Government does.

We should not ignore the Government's interest in the problem — they have every right to be concerned. We should ask for their help and try in every way to cooperate with them and work together to find answers that are sound and do not resort to give away programs. However, we must take the initiative, and show sincere concern about the problem. If we do, perhaps we can enter into a new area of cooperation with the Government. If we do not, then the situation will proceed as it has in the past.

MEDICAL-LEGAL BANQUET

Forty-five physicians and sixty attorneys attended the annual Medical-legal Banquet to hear the Rev. Joseph R. Lucas, Ph.D., speak on moral and legal aspects of malpractice.

Dr. Lucas discussed four areas of liability affecting the physician: (1) disclosure of information about a patient, (2) withholding a diagnosis from a patient, (3) use of experimental procedures, and (4) tissue transplantations.

Dr. Fisher presided at the meeting and introduced Rev. Lucas. Atty. Paul H. Smith, president of the Mahoning County Bar Association introduced his officers.

SPINAL CORD INJURIES SYMPOSIUM

Dr. Donn F. Covert, president of the Trumbull County Medical Society and Superintendent of Hillside Hospital in Warren, announces a Symposium on Spinal Cord Injuries and Subsequent Rehabilitation to be held on April 17 and 18, at that Hospital.

The two-day meeting offers the following courses: "Initial Neurosurgical Management of Spinal Cord Injuries," "Initial Care and Later Care of Paraplegics," "Clinical Aspects of the Rehabilitation of Spinal Cord Injury Patients," "Psychological Situation for the Disabled with Spinal Cord Injuries," "Nursing Care of Spinal Cord Injuries," "Bowel and Bladder Management and Training," "The Mobilization of Patients with Spinal Cord Injuries," "Exercise Program for Spinal Cord Injuries," "Self-help Clothing for Patients with Spinal Cord Injuries," "Vocational Testing and Training," "Opportunities for Serving Spinal Cord Injury Patients Under the Social and Rehabilitation Service Programs."

The Symposium will provide 11 hours credit with the American Academy of General Practice. Registration is limited to 200. Registration fee is \$5.00, and should be mailed to: John C. Mall, M.D., Medical Director, Hillside Hospital, 8747 Squires Lane, N.E., Warren, Ohio 44484.

DIAGNOSIS

Taking part in the Diagnosis radio program during the month of March were:

March 5 — Dental Health in Children — Dr. B. Brandmiller, Dr. John Beal, Dr. Bernard Joffin

March 12 — Pelvic Cancer — Dr. John McDonough, Dr. John Guju

March 26 — Cytology and Medical Treatment of Cancer — Dr. Winifred Liu, Dr. William Loeser, Dr. David Brown

The programs are heard over WFMJ at 8:05 p.m. each Tuesday. They are recorded at 9:30 a.m. on the same day. Any physician interested in presenting a topic on "Diagnosis" should contact the Medical Society office, or Dr. McDonough, Radio-TV Chairman.



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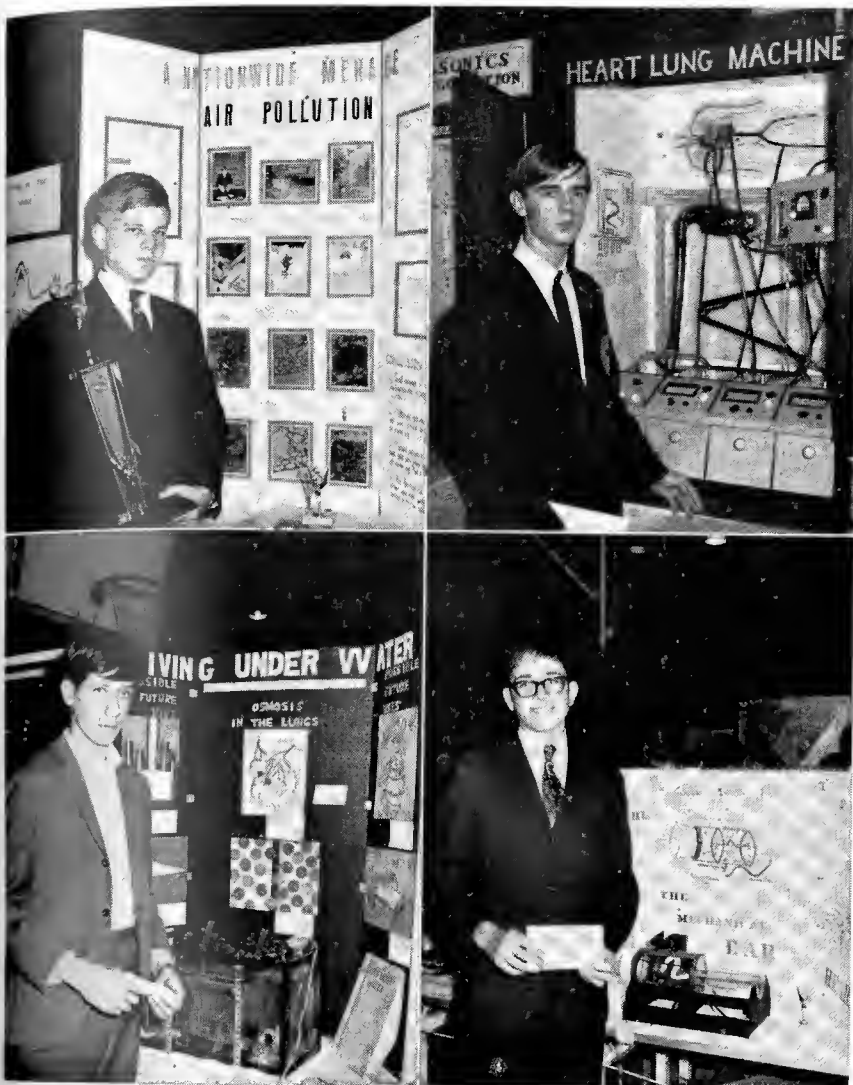
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MEDICAL AWARDS AT SCIENCE FAIR



(Top) At left is James Sovik, holding the Mahoning County Medical Society trophy. At right is Mark Hannay, winner of the Auxiliary award. (Bottom) Left to right are Paul Bosela and Robert Maggiano, runners-up in the Medical Society awards.

After bowing to girl contestants for two straight years, the boys came through in 1968 and swept the field, winning all of the medical awards at the Austintown Fitch Tri-County Science Fair. First prize of a trophy and \$50 was presented by the Mahoning County Medical Society to James Sovik, son of Dr. and Mrs. William E. Sovik, for his project on Air Pollution. James is a student at Cardinal Mooney High School. He also won the official fourth award in the field of Biology.

Runners-up, and winners of \$25 Medical Society awards, were Paul Bosela, a Chaney student, whose project was "Living Under Water," and Robert Maggiano, of Blessed Sacrement, whose project was "The Mechanical Ear." He is the son of Dr. L. L. Maggiano, a Warren physician.

The Auxiliary of the Mahoning County Medical Society independently presents an award for the best project related to Nursing and Medicine. Winner was Mark Hannay of Salem High School for his Heart Lung Machine.

Award presentations were made by Dr. John Stotler, chairman of the judges, in an evening ceremony at the close of the Science Fair. In addition to Dr. Stotler, four other judges spent the entire afternoon interviewing contestants. They were: Dr. Rashid Abdu, Dr. James Anderson, Dr. Bertwin Einfalt, and Dr. Sam Tochtenhagen.

The Science Fair was held on Saturday, March 23, at Austintown Fitch High School. In charge of the Fair was Paul J. Pallante, Fitch science teacher. This was the third year of awards for the Medical Society, and the second for the Auxiliary.

BULLETIN CALENDAR

APRIL 10 THROUGH MAY 15, 1968

April 11	8:00 a.m.	Section Meetings, Youngstown Hospital
	1:00 p.m.	VP, OB-GYN, S. H. Gardiner, Aud., St. Elizabeth Hosp.
April 12	1:00 p.m.	VP Abraham Braude, Aud., St. Elizabeth Hospital
April 13	8:00 a.m.	Executive Committee, St. Elizabeth Hospital
April 18	8:00 a.m.	Dr. Earnest Perry, "Aortic Aneurysm," Hitchcock Aud., Youngstown Hospital
	8:00 a.m.	CPC, St. Elizabeth Hospital
	1:00 p.m.	G. D. Timmons, "Children with Learning Problems," and "Children with Minimal Brain Disfunction," Aud., St. Elizabeth Hospital
	6:30 p.m.	Mahoning County Medical Society and Auxiliary, Mural Room
April 22	4:00 p.m.	Medical Seminar, Hitchcock Aud., Youngstown Hospital
	6:00 p.m.	Medical Mortality Conference, Drs. Dining Room, South Unit, Youngstown Hospital
April 24	4:30 p.m.	Tumor Conference, Hitchcock Aud., Youngstown Hosp.
April 25	8:00 a.m.	CPC, Hitchcock Aud., Youngstown Hospital
	9:00 a.m.	VP, Surgery, Dr. Fred Brady, Aud., St. Elizabeth Hospital
	1:00 p.m.	VP, Medicine, Dr. Alvin Shapiro, Aud., St. Elizabeth Hosp.
April 30	6:00 p.m.	Medical Executive Committee, North Unit Coffee Shop, Youngstown Hospital
May 2	8:00 a.m.	G.P., Donald Hutchinson, M.D., Hitchcock Aud., Youngstown Hospital
	8:00 a.m.	CPC, St. Elizabeth Hospital
	8:30 a.m.	Pediatric Section Meeting, St. Elizabeth Hospital
	6:30 p.m.	Scholarship Dinner, Mahoning County Medical Society, Mural Room
May 4	8:00 a.m.	Surgical Section Meeting, St. Elizabeth Hospital
May 7	8:30 a.m.	Section Meeting, General Practice and Medicine, St. Elizabeth Hospital
	6:30 p.m.	Council, Mahoning County Medical Society, Mural Rm.
	7:30 p.m.	ENT and OB-GYN, St. Elizabeth Hospital
May 8	4:30 p.m.	Tumor Conference, North Unit Classroom, Youngstown Hospital
May 9	8:00 a.m.	Section Meetings, Youngstown Hospital
	9:00 a.m.	VP, Surgery, Roland B. Berggren, Aud., St. Elizabeth Hospital
	1:00 p.m.	VP, Medicine, James Leonard, Aud., St. Elizabeth Hosp.
May 14	7:30 p.m.	Dental Section Meeting, Aud., St. Elizabeth Hospital



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WHAT HAS THE AMA EVER DONE FOR YOU?

(Following is a talk presented at the Ohio State Medical Association meeting of county medical society officers, Sunday, February 25, by David B. Weihaup, Field Representative, American Medical Association.)

As you know, and as I well know, the questions are asked many thousands of times per year primarily by physicians. What is the AMA doing? What have they ever done for me? What's going on at 535 North Dearborn? What am I getting for my dues?

I think these questions are rightly asked. A membership card in the AMA does not automatically endow its holder with a sophisticated knowledge about the function and the purpose of the AMA. I do believe that the answers to these questions are available, throughout the course of a year, but they're supplied in a piece-meal basis of letters, pamphlets, and literature that comes through the mail. Most physicians do not have time to read, as you well know. I am here to offer the correct information, facts and figures about the American Medical Association and what it is doing for you, the public, and for the nation as a whole—the truth, if you will. To give you all there is to give of our work and accomplishments would take more time than we all have today. I hope you accept what I say as well as many people apparently accept the fallacies printed about us in local newspapers and national magazines. I am confident I can prove to all of you here that the AMA is a tremendously functionable and productive Association doing an enormous job in serving the profession and the people of this country.

In the following information, I would like to ask you to read into the facts and figures, the benefits that you have and will derive from what we're doing, for I cannot associate all of this to each of you individually. The general purpose of the Association is, of course, to promote the science and art of medicine and the betterment of public health. I think the following will prove that this is the truth.

I am not here to defend, apologize, or excuse AMA, its policies, or philosophy, which may be different from yours, or the lost battles of the past. We have lost battles to the 187 billion dollar Federal Government. AMA does not have the staff, time, nor the money to wage a multi-million dollar battle against federal control, such as has the automobile industry.

AMA Facts and Figures

Now let me give you the following information and facts, not in the expectation that you will remember them, but in hopes that you will comprehend that whole picture and carry it in your philosophy back to your community, your friends, and physicians of your county medical societies. These figures come from the AMA and not through your local newspapers.

Let us see what these figures are.

A. There are approximately 317,000 physicians in this country of which 215,000 are AMA members.

B. Of these, only 164,000 are dues paying members and not all are full dues-paying members.

C. Approximately 28% of our total budget is from physicians' dues. The remainder we have to plan, program, and work for through our advertising and exhibit revenues

D. Your dues of \$70 would have to be over \$220 to make up the needed funds to operate if it weren't for the abilities and the hard work of the people at AMA in obtaining these revenues.

E. Approximately \$5 million of the budget goes for salaries for the 922 employees. In this group are physicians, attorneys, chemists, journalists, biostatisticians, and accountants who are high calibre people.

F. We have real estate taxes of approximately \$275,000 and social security payments of approximately \$350,000.

The AMA is one of the world's largest publishers, and about \$12 million of our budget goes into paper, printing and mailing. I ask you to consider all the following figures on a basis of a cost of 11¢ per page to produce and

mail. These costs, by the way, are up approximately 181% in the last seven years. I would like you to consider the following as benefits not only to the general public, and AMA members only, but also as the benefits derived by non-members, for AMA serves the profession.

1. Since 1960, over 3 million pieces of literature have been sent to students of medical schools.
2. The AMA News has a circulation of approximately 340,000 and is published each week. That's about 4 million newspapers per year. Each physician, member or not, members of Congress and major newspapers all over the country receive copies.
3. We have approximately 3,500 different pamphlets on, child care, health education, health tips, sex education and many others. We send out over 100,000 copies per year of each of the major pamphlets and thousands of the others.
4. We have sent out over 2 million copies of the AMA First-Aid Manual in the past several years.

Ten Specialty Journals

5. We publish ten specialty journals with a circulation of 226,000 and recently we released 311,000 pieces of mail to physicians in this country on health education materials.

6. Every two years we publish the AMA Directory, 6,500 copies, which contains biographical and educational data on every licensed physician in the United States. It is a three-volume set and is sent to every state and county medical society, all journal editors and the libraries of 94 medical schools.

7. The magazine "Today's Health" comes out monthly with a circulation of 700,000 each month, which is a mailing of about 8 1/2 million magazines each year.

8. "Horizons Unlimited" on health careers has been sent in quantities of tens of thousands to schools, colleges, and medical societies free. In Ohio alone, we've delivered over 3,000 to county and state medical associations.

9. In one month, we sent out 30,000 copies of our booklet "Selective Service Military Service and the MD" to medical schools and other organizations requesting it.

In addition, you may be familiar with our books "Current Medical Terminology" and "New Drugs" which are sent out by the thousands each year.

10. JAMA, the Journal of the American Medical Association, has a circulation of 219,000 and it comes free to all members of the AMA. This, Today's Health AMA News, and the specialty journals cost the AMA about \$50 per year to send to each physician member. The AMA specialty journals and JAMA are published by the McCall Corporation right over here in Dayton, Ohio. With all these publications and materials distributed, the members of the AMA carry some of the burden of the non-members.

11. Each year, thousands of manuscripts are submitted to us for review, and actually, we are able to publish over 1,000 each year.

12. We check over 500 medical publications each month for useful information to relay to you through our publications.

13. In 1967, over 25,000 copies of "Winning Ways with Patients" were sent free.

This is actually a small percentage of the tremendous publishing, printing and mailing burden that we have every year, and this is done for the benefit of the public, the medical profession, component societies, and other organizations in the country. The natural question is - - - Why all this paper?

The reason is that these publications have been asked for by the 242 members of the AMA House of Delegates, by the public of this country, the schools of the nation, allied health professions and health institutions,

and also the more than 1,900 state and county medical societies. We publish these materials as answers to the search of these organizations for the answers. As a result of the asking by these organizations, we research, plan, design, publish, print, and mail these tens of millions of pieces every year. Literally thousands of pieces of different types of material are relayed to your component medical societies—information on legislation, state laws, federal laws, plans and programs of the AMA and just normal every day correspondence between component organizations. I realize this is a lot of time, work and a lot of paper, but this is the responsibility of the AMA to the people of this country, and it is a responsibility we must keep, or would you have us yield and give this job to someone else—shall we say, the local society, industry, state government, the federal government, or labor? Who else but the AMA is more qualified, more dedicated, more capable and more unbiased to do this job for the physicians and the people of this country—and the job must be done.

I gave you a small packaging of the total statistics available and what actually goes out of AMA. Now here are some of the things that come into the AMA.

Volume of Mail

1. In one day, there are 1,000 long distance phone calls coming in.
2. 23,000 pieces of first class mail come into the AMA every day and this is about 6 million pieces of mail every year. Consider the fact that to serve membership and the public, it takes people to receive, open, distribute, reply to and file this enormous load of correspondence.
3. Each year we receive 30,000 requests from the general public for help and information, and we get many thousands more requests for information and help from physicians, the profession—not just members.
4. In our card catalog of physicians, there are 6,000 changes every week in physicians' home and office addresses.
5. The Archive Library of the AMA receives in an average month:
 - A. 2,400 research requests.
 - B. 750 requests for books.
 - C. They loan out close to 400 library items.
 - D. They photo-copy and send out (each month) approximately 19,000 pages of material.
 - E. In the Library itself, there are 40,000 books.
 - F. 2,500 periodicals.
 - G. 610 magnetic tapes with medical information.
 - H. In the film library, there are 500 films available for the public, medical societies, and the individual physician to be used in learning or speaking. A cross file in the film library has over 7,000 cards. Although you may never use these benefits, tens of thousands of people do each year, and will in the future. They are available for you.
6. The film "Medical Careers" has been shown 90,000 times and the film "Careers Unlimited" has been shown over 1/4 million times. A new film called "Faith" is being made and publicity spots have been sent out to over 2,000 radio stations. Recently, we sent out health tips to over 600 TV stations and 2,600 radio stations—a 60 second spot, for the public benefit.
7. In the past year, we have arranged for over 1,300 health films to be shown 32,000 times at 7,000 appearances before 13 million people. Conceivably, these are very boring figures, but if you consider them carefully, you will see the enormous job that the Association is doing in almost all fields of medicine. It would be a wonderful thing if the general public and the doctors had an awareness of this enormous job. Then the many misconceptions about the AMA would most certainly be cleared up.

8. We have designed and built 110 medical exhibits for use by the public, medical societies, and medical schools. Four of them were at the Ohio State Medical Association 1967 Annual Meeting and it looks very promising that there will be more than that at the 1968 meeting in Cincinnati.

9. I am sure many of you are familiar with the page, the "Legislative Roundup" which goes to all state, county medical societies, and physician leadership in the states. It is a one page piece with a brief summation of the status of current legislation in Washington.

10. It is hoped that in the near future, we can initiate a new program called "Report of the Nation". It will be a coast to coast one-hour network TV program put on 3 or 4 times a year by the AMA to provide accurate and truthful information to the public. We doubt we will be able to afford equal time with the President of the United States.

Now I have covered what goes out of AMA, also what comes in. Here is more information on what goes on in the AMA. Considering the preceding, it's possible that these questions have already been answered. But let me continue.

1. There are over 1,000 meetings held every year and over 800 physicians serve without pay on the 80 commissions, councils, and committees. That's one physician for every 200 doctors in the country. There are 80 committees, 16 councils, 4 commissions, 22 scientific sections, 10 specialty journals, 50 departments and 8 divisions, which are the Communications Division, Law Division, Management Services Division, Scientific Activities, Scientific Publications, Health Service, Medical Education and my Division, Field Service. Under these are the Council on drugs, Committee on Quackery, Committee for Research on Tobacco and Health, Committee on Cutaneous Health and Cosmetics, and on and on to a total of 80. All of this has been created by the actions of the House of Delegates for the needs of medical societies and the general public and the profession.

Sponsor Scientific Lectures

2. Throughout the course of the year, we sponsor 400 scientific lectures, 400 scientific exhibits at the Annual and Clinical Sessions and 300 exhibits on New Drugs. There were 39,000 registrants at the 1967 Annual Meeting in Atlantic City and these people had an opportunity to see the latest developments in American medicine.

3. I am sure you have all heard of the AMA-ERF Student Loan Program, sponsored by the AMA. Under this program, the AMA has arranged over 45 million dollars in loans, involving 28,000 separate loans to 19,000 medical students, interns and residents. In Ohio alone, we've arranged over 1,300 loans encompassing over \$1,500,000 to medical students. Since 1955, we have received and distributed over \$35 million to medical schools in this country. We have Councils and Committees who are also working very hard to increase the enrollment in medical schools, expansion of the facilities of those that exist, plus assisting in the forming of new medical schools. Sixteen are now in the making, and AMA has made major contributions to their beginnings.

4. Woman's Auxiliary with headquarters at AMA, have received and distributed over \$3 million for medical schools and \$4 million to the student loan program.

5. We also have available some direct benefits, such as the AMA retirement program and the disability program that physician members can take advantage of.

6. Our Speakers' Services Department writes and supplies speeches and other materials for research for physicians throughout the country and for officers of the Association. We also supply building plans, partnership agreements, and a variety of other services are at the disposal of physicians.

7. Our Communications Division has literature, program aids, films, speeches, press materials, and other services available to state and county medical societies, as well as physicians. For the Director of the Communications Division, there is an Advisory Committee which consists of state executive secretaries. Mr. Hart Page is a member, who lends a respected voice to this Committee and their progress.

8. The Department of Medicine and Religion consists of a four-man staff working with medical schools, theological seminaries, hospitals, physicians, and clergy in a very successful attempt to bring together the healing of the body and soul. Your Dr. George Petznick has served on this committee since the beginning and can vouch for the effectiveness of this program.

9. As I mentioned earlier, there are over 1,000 meetings held by AMA each year. Just to give you an idea of what these meetings are week to week, beginning March 1 through March 7, the following are scheduled:

1. Regional Workshop for State Chairman of Medicine and Religion
2. Committee on Planning and Development
3. Conference Committee on Graduate Training and Surgery
4. Symposium on Exercise and Heart
5. Residency Review Committee on Neurological Surgery
6. Committee on Environmental Health
7. Committee on Aerospace Medicine

This schedule of meetings goes on 52 weeks a year including weekends. Once again, to serve the purpose of advancement of science and art of medicine and the betterment of public health, these and all others cannot be eliminated for we would sacrifice not only the well being of the profession and public health, but the leadership of the physicians in medicine.

10. Undoubtedly, you have heard of the American Medical Association Institute for Biomedical Research. This was created by the AMA House of Delegates. There are 30 scientists doing research in Immunology, Medical Ecology, Virology, Molecular Biophysics, Regulatory Biology and Neurobiology. This too is a service to all mankind.

Project Viet Nam

11. Project Viet Nam is a program initiated by the federal government, which was not functioning too well, naturally, and the government asked the AMA to take it over, naturally. It is a program whereby physicians volunteer to go to Viet Nam and serve the civilian public of that nation. In the two years we have been handling the program, approximately 293 physicians have served in Viet Nam. Last month alone, we had 75 inquiries and 28 applications were filed. This month there are 9 physicians going to Viet Nam to serve under this program. One of the most active Divisions of the AMA is the Law Division, which supplies to all Departments and the Board of Trustees and the physicians throughout the country, legal opinions, guidance, information on medical liability, taxation, insurance, advertising, copyrights, and specific information on liable and slander. Thousands of physicians write every year and receive guidance on state problems, retirement problems, partnership agreements, and federal and state laws. Under the Law Division, the Department of Investigation wages a relentless battle against quacks and charlatans throughout the country, as a service to the public health, and the profession.

12. Let me briefly give you the box score of the AMA Political Action Committee, which was involved in 131 Congressional races in 1966. Of those 104 races were successful. They were involved in 15 Senate races and won 13 of them and some of these major victories were made in the State of Ohio as a result of the tremendous and effective effort of your Ohio Medical Political Action Committee.

And now after all this information about the AMA and its services to the physicians and the public of this nation, I would like to discuss that which the press dearly likes about as a major and almost total function of the AMA — The Washington Lobby.

Some say all they do is try to enhance the income of physicians of this country. They write about this group, the lobby, as a huge multi-million dollar organization — those, who it is written, hate children, old people, the handicapped, and the poor. This is a huge, unjust burden which we must carry. When this lobby tries and succeeds in excluding the disabled persons from the new social security amendments, the press of this country says generally that physicians hate the handicapped. In truth, these unfortunate people are not only treated at a decreased charge by physicians, but they're also covered under Title XIX of Medicare, and several other federal and state programs. This is a prime example of federal duplication. Only a fraction of one percent of the budget of the AMA goes to lobbying. Let me tell you more about this so-called multi-million dollar lobbying staff. In truth, it consists of 4 full time registered lobbyists. Yes, we have only 4 men in Washington compared to Labor's 125 registered lobbyists and 300 unregistered lobbyists. Each of our 4 men has 12 senators and approximately 130 Congressmen to learn about, work with and convince. A small force indeed. But don't let me minimize their abilities, their influence, their effectiveness and their successes. They do an outstanding job and this can be proven by our past and present successes in Washington. It can also be proven by some of the adverse publicity we get. There were some rather uncomplimentary quotations in one of the nation's leading magazines not too long ago. Your Senator Stephen Young referred to this huge AMA lobby in the November '67 edition of Playboy magazine, as follows: "One of the slickest, best financed in the nation," and "it has been the spendingist lobby in Washington in recent years." Not only are the choice of his words uncomplimentary, but inaccurate. So you can see, we have immunity nowhere and it is popular to discuss this huge four man lobby even in Playboy, adding sophistication to Playboy and supposedly some degree of credence by quoting Senator Stephen Young.

Work of the Washington Staff

Let me give you some information on what this lobbying staff is really up against and what it really does. In the 89th Congress, there were 26,500 bills introduced of which 1,600 had health implications. The AMA offered information and opinions on 33 of these bills and, contrary to popular belief, we favored 21, partially favored 5 and opposed only 7. In the first session of the 89th Congress, there were 850 bills with medical implications, but in the first session of the 90th Congress, there were over 1,126 bills pertaining to health, and this can give you some idea of what is coming up in the second session of the 90th Congress. We have one man in Washington to analyze these 1,600 bills of the 89th Congress and the 1,100 bills so far this year of the 90th. Back in Chicago, there are three men to correlate policy and position and testimony on these bills and to establish a position as to the impacts of the legislation on physicians of this country and the general public. I wish to point out that a great deal of the work done in Washington by our staff is for the benefit of science of medicine and that these men supply basic medical information to members of Congress, for themselves and for the people of their district. They help the legislators obtain family physicians when they move to the District of Columbia, or find nearby specialists for them or for their family or friends if needed.

Some of the fights that these men now face in Washington are as follows:

1. Presently, the Hart Bill is being considered — a bill that says physicians cannot own an interest in a pharmacy and that they cannot dispense drugs or other medical devices at a profit, only at cost, not encompassing overhead.

There are attempts for federal inspection of your records, chiropractic inclusion in Medicare, a bill of adult health protection, a bill for drugs to be included under Part B of Medicare. Other pieces of legislation considered are those which call for federal inspection of animal research facilities, legislation on medical device standards and literally hundreds more.

2. A new problem in Washington is that the Internal Revenue Service is imposing a regulation on unrelated income. This would impose a 48% tax on profits received from advertising and exhibits. This primarily is directed towards the American Medical Association and could also be a burden on the state and county medical associations. It is our belief that this is directed towards the AMA for the specific purpose of cutting our budget down low enough to eliminate our Washington lobby and our legislative efforts.

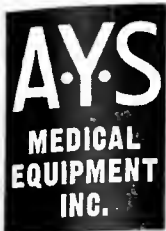
Thus far the federal government's medical programs now cover medical care of one type or another of 50 million of the 200 million Americans in this country. We do not, of course, oppose all bills in Congress. We have a fine record of introducing legislation for the betterment of public health, and are currently favoring legislation regarding air and water pollution, highway safety, and general health standards.

Now, a little about my Division — THE FIELD SERVICE DIVISION. The Washington office is part of this Division and we headquarter in Chicago. There are 12 men covering the United States, also Puerto Rico (The Virgin Islands) and as far away as Alaska and Hawaii. We work in a person to person contact with staff and leadership of state and county medical societies. I personally cover Ohio, Kentucky, Pennsylvania and West Virginia. A great percentage of my function is in the legislative and lobbying area. In our work, we interpret and promote the activities and services of all AMA Departments to component societies and, in turn, familiarize the AMA with the programs, problems, needs and opinions of component medical societies, the public physicians and physician leadership.

In conclusion, what does the AMA do for you and the public in this country? Actually, the American Medical Association and its work are felt in the toothpaste you use in the morning, your soap, the food you eat, the car you drive, the seat belts you put on, the sports your children and you play, the school lunch program, women's cosmetics, dyes in clothes, the air you breathe and the water you drink, not to mention the preceeding information that I supplied in this presentation.

But when I am asked "What do I get for my dues?" If I don't have time to give a speech, my short reply is "Nothing". Who said that the \$70 in dues would come back to the member January 1 each year as a short term capital gain. The AMA is not an investment house. The joining of the AMA, state medical association and your county medical society is another service that the physician performs not only to their profession but for the betterment of public health. Many physicians do more in their contributions to these organizations by serving on committees and councils and as officers. But, let me say, if all this information and all these facts and figures do not convince you of what we are doing for you, let me ask you this favor. Read with a critical eye the newspapers and the magazines of this country that misshape these figures and our work. And, if you still believe them, let me request this. Don't speak out against medicine, the AMA, state and county medical society. Don't add credence to the cries of the enemies of medicine by lending them your voice and opinions which are formed by the local newspapers. Don't quote your enemies, quote your friends. If not your membership in the AMA, give your participation, your understanding or your philosophical belief. Don't criticize with inaccurate information and help the enemies of medicine in eliminating the private practice of medicine and organized medicine as we know it today. They know we are divided. They are not.

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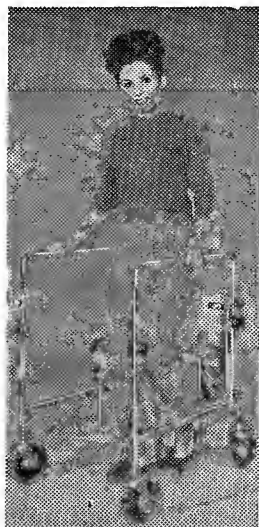


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*In Memoriam***JOHN E. L. KEYES, M.D.
1887 - 1968**

Dr. John Keyes, forty years a member of the Mahoning County Medical Society, just retired last year at age 80. One of his final acts in closing his office was to donate some early ophthalmology equipment to the Medical Society office for the society's collection of old books and antique equipment.

Dr. Keyes was born in Barrie, Ontario and received his M.D. degree in 1908 at the University of Toronto. He continued his training at the University of Edinburgh, Scotland. He came to the United States in 1923 and opened his office in the Home Savings and Loan Building in Youngstown in 1927.

He was an instructor in ophthalmology at Western Reserve University. He entered military service in 1942 and emerged with the rank of lieutenant colonel in 1945.

His great pride was his three children, Carol, Marilyn and Robert, all of whom won championships and gold medals for ice skating.

Until his retirement, Dr. Keyes continued teaching, and was consultant ophthalmologist at Youngstown Hospital Association, Crile Veterans Hospital and University Hospital in Cleveland. He wrote many medical papers and was a fellow of the American College of Surgeons, the American Association for the Advancement of Science, and the American Academy of Ophthalmology and Otolaryngology.

Dr. Keyes will long be remembered for the many years of service in medicine devoted to healing and to teaching.

APRIL MEETING DATE CHANGED

The April meeting, a combined meeting of the Auxiliary and the Medical Society, will be held on a Thursday, instead of a Tuesday. The date is April 18 at the Mural Room.

Dr. David M. Reed will speak on "Medicine and the Sexual Revolution." Dr. Reed is Assistant Director, Center for the Study of Sex Education in Medicine, Division of Family Study, Department of Psychiatry, University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine.

He is a graduate of Princeton University and Princeton Theological Seminary, with post-graduate study at New College, University of Edinburgh, Scotland. He received his Ph.D. in Psychodynamics and his Master of Public Health from Tulane University and School of Medicine.

Reservations may be made by sending a check for \$5.00 per person to the Medical Society office. Deadline for reservations is Monday, April 15. Dinner will be served at 6:30 p.m., preceded by a social hour at 6:00 p.m.

Co-chairmen for the meeting are Mrs. Paul E. Ruth and Dr. Richard D. Murray.

SCHOLARSHIP SPEAKER ANNOUNCED

Speaker for the second annual Mahoning County Medical Society Roster of Scholars Dinner will be Rev. Norman E. Crewson, pastor of Boardman Methodist Church. Rev. Crewson will speak on "A Time For Great Men."

The May 2nd dinner will be attended by 44 students from the 22 high schools in Mahoning County. Members of the Medical Society will be hosts and will sit with the students for dinner.

The complete Roster of Scholars will be printed in the next issue of the *Bulletin*.

FROM THE BULLETIN

THIRTY YEARS AGO — APRIL 1938

For Post-Graduate Day that year came a group from the Lahey Clinic headed by Dr. Frank Lahey who brought with him neurosurgeon Gilbert Horrax, gastro-enterologist Everett D. Kiefer and internist Elmer C. Bartels.

It was our eleventh annual meeting and exceeded all others in attendance, perfection of arrangements and excellence of program. Hundreds of physicians came from western Pennsylvania, West Virginia and Cleveland to fill the Ohio Hotel ballroom. Our members were very proud and were bragging that we rivaled the convention of the Ohio State Medical Association. Credit was given to James Birch, John Noll and Lou Deitchman who headed the committees.

The first Post-Graduate Day was pioneered by a group in 1928 when the late J. E. Hardman was President. J. M. Ranz, W. H. Bennett and J. P. Harvey were active members.

Gordon Nelson had a leading article on "A Typical Acute Appendicitis" describing the variations in symptomatology in the very young and the very old. He stressed the importance of history and physical examination rather than laboratory tests and urged early operation in case of doubt instead of "wait and see".

There were 198 paid up members in the Society.

In order to reduce cost of mailing the *Bulletin* to an ever increasing list, James Brown mailed a questionnaire to everyone asking simply, "If you want the *Bulletin*, Sign and Return." The response was tremendous: from Sharpsville, Pa. — "An excellent publication," from Milford Center — "Most inspiring publication I received," from Columbus — "Best in the State," from New Castle — "Don't you dare cut it out!" Jim was very proud.

New members that month were S. D. Goldberg and Harlan McGregor. R. B. Poling and C. S. Lowendorf were in St. Elizabeth's Hospital for appendectomies. Allan Altdorffer and John Noll were on the sick list.

TWENTY YEARS AGO — APRIL 1948

Post-Graduate Day brought a group from the University of Illinois: John B. Youmans, Dean; Willard O. Thompson, Robert W. Keeton, Eric Oldberg and John T. Reynolds. There were clinics at the hospitals in the morning and general sessions afternoon and evening at the Ohio Hotel. Chairman Ondash was a busy man. The tradition of good weather for Post-Graduate Day was broken by a heavy downpour. There was a rival meeting in New Castle but visitors came here from twenty-two surrounding towns and the attendance was well over three hundred.

Dr. W. W. Ryall wrote about his early years in Medical practice. He started in country practice in 1898 when there were no improved roads, no automobiles, nothing but horses and good legs to carry him around. Many days he walked 25 miles cutting across fields and climbing fences, always trying to hit certain houses at mealtime where he knew the food was the best. There was only one phone in the town, in the hardware store. He usually started the day at 6:00 A.M. but many calls were made at night because the farmers were too busy in the daytime to drive to town and tell him to come. He said it had been a grand life.

The Mahoning Chapter of the American Academy of General Practice was formed in Youngstown. Dr. J. C. Vance was the first President, G. E. DeCicco was Vice-President and David Levy was Secretary. Paul Davis of Akron was the first National President. Today there are chapters in every state and a \$300,000 headquarters building in Kansas City. Members are required to belong to their component County Medical Society and take a prescribed amount of post-graduate study every year.

New members that month were: Arnoldus Goudsmit, William Newcomer and James Patrick.

TEN YEARS AGO — APRIL 1958

President Detesco said that fatigue causes impairment of judgement and clear thinking. Doctors should not be pushed beyond their endurance where they will not be efficient in making decisions affecting health or life of their patients.

Editor Morris Rosenblum wrote, "This is Cancer Week . . . and how helpless we feel in the treatment of this appalling malady."

Membership passed the 300 mark and entitled us to another delegate to the O.S.M.A. Charles Stertzbaugh was made the new delegate.

New members were: Active: D. D. Krongold, I. Werbner, R. L. Thomas, B. Taylor, J. P. Kalfas, and E. J. Gluck. Junior Active: A. Lutz. Intern: Elias Saadi, J. H. Fulks, W. T. Martin.

An important article by James Smeltzer hailed the work being done here on Cancer Control. He described both treatment and early detection. He urged physician participation in the use of the Papanicolou method of early detection of uterine cancer being done by Dr. Winifred Liu Mutschman who pioneered the method here.

—J. L. F.

EAGLES HONOR DR. WILLIAM J. FLYNN

Members of the Mahoning County Medical Society continue to garner civic honors, as Dr. William J. Flynn received an engraved plaque as Humanitarian of the Year, an annual award by Youngstown Aerie 213, Fraternal Order of Eagles.

Dr. Flynn is a past-president of the Ohio Division of the American Cancer Society. In 1965, he received the distinguished service medical and citation from the American Cancer Society, and is currently serving on two national committees of that organization.

The Eagles award was made at the 66th annual meeting on March 17th. Presentation was made by Smiley Wagner, lodge president. For many years, one of the lodge's projects has been the Damon Runyon Cancer Fund.

BULLETIN BOARD

Dr. Ray Scheetz, now in his third year as president of the medical staff at St. Elizabeth Hospital, has been elected to the advisory board of the hospital.

Dr. Barclay Brandmiller was recently honored by the Wittenberg University Alumni Association. He was awarded the Alumni Citation at the annual Founders Day dinner.

Dr. L. P. Caccamo was a delegate from the Ohio Society of Internal Medicine to the American Society of Internal Medicine at the annual meeting in Boston, March 29-31.

Dr. Leonard M. Green has returned from military service to resume his practice at 548 Gypsy Lane. He was stationed two years at Valley Forge General Hospital as Chief of Neurology Service, with the rank of Captain. While there, he became a certified Diplomate in Neurology, was appointed to the neurology staff at Hanhemann Medical School, was Chief of Electromyography Laboratory at Hanhemann Hospital and presented a paper before the Philadelphia Neurological Society entitled, "The Kleine-Levin Syndrome: A Case with Unusual E.E.G. Findings."

Dr. James Fulks recently lectured on "Aseptic Tracheotomy Care" at a meeting of the Ohio Chapter of The American Association of Inhalation Therapists in Youngstown. Dr. Fulks is Director of the Department of Inhalation Therapy at Youngstown Hospital Association.

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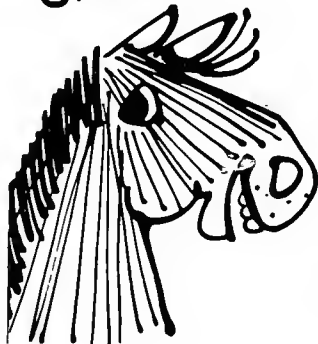
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PROCEEDINGS OF COUNCIL

MARCH 12, 1968

The regular meeting of the council of the Mahoning County Medical Society was held on Tuesday, March 12, 1968, at the Mural Room, Youngstown, Ohio.

The following physicians were present: R. R. Fisher, President, presiding, J. J. Anderson, Louis Bloomberg, G. E. DeCicco, F. A. Friedrich, C. A. Hixson, R. L. Jenkins, C. E. Pichette, H. J. Reese, E. T. Saadi, F. L. Schellhase, Jack Schreiber, and J. W. Tandatnick. Also present was Dr. Sidney Franklin. Absent were: J. J. Buckley, L. P. Caccamo, Henry Holden, W. D. Loeser, R. D. Murray, J. V. Newsome, M. C. Raupple, R. G. Warnock and Kurt Wegner.

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Bills were read. The motion was made, seconded and duly passed that each bill be paid.

The following applications were presented by the censors:

ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP

John R. Madison, M.D., 64 Ridge Ave., Youngstown

Anthony N. Pannozzo, M.D., 1100 Belmont Ave., Youngstown

The applications were approved. The above applicants will become active members of the Mahoning County Medical Society within fifteen days after publication in the *Bulletin*, unless objection is filed in writing with the secretary during that time.

The Medical Dental Bureau "any doctor call" report was passed around for every member to see.

The executive secretary reported on disposition of business accruing from the previous council meeting.

Dr. Fisher reported that Physical Therapist exams at Little Forest Medical Center were done only at the request of the attending physician and that the cost was \$15.00.

Dr. Saadi gave a comprehensive report on the Regional Medical Program, based in Cleveland. He was commended for his report.

It was reported that 12 members still owe 1968 dues and that their names will be published in the *Bulletin* if they do not pay prior to March 31.

Dr. Tandatnick asked that the motion concerning association with osteopaths be brought to a general meeting soon. The motion was made, seconded and duly passed that it be brought to the Society at the April meeting.

Dr. Schreiber introduced discussion concerning meeting of the medical society and hospital staffs on the same night. The motion was made, seconded and duly passed that this be referred to the hospital relations committee.

A letter from Dr. Franklin was read concerning a Rodent Control Program by the Youngstown Department of Health.

Dr. Franklin reported that the Youngstown Board of Health approved the pap test program at the V.D. Clinic, the State to pay the lab fee for the tests.

Dr. Franklin reported that Dr. Damon, Director of Environmental Health for the Youngstown Department of Health, has been trained to check for excessive spread of X-ray radiation and is available to any physician who will phone the Health Department.

Dr. Reese brought to the attention of council the fact that individual physicians were being asked to participate in program advertising for the Ohio State Medical Assistants Society annual meeting in Cleveland. The motion was made, seconded and duly passed that council has no objection to members being contacted as individuals.

Attention was called to the current Group Benefit Plan published by the Mahoning and Trumbull County Building Trades Welfare Fund, in which

it was stated that there is an agreement with the Mahoning County and Trumbull County Medical Societies that a physical examination would be ten dollars. The executive secretary was directed to write and ask for the information on which the statement was based.

Dr. Reese gave a comprehensive report on the status of a State-wide disaster plan, with special reference to a nine-county district, of which he is OSMA Representative.

Dr. Fisher reported meeting with County Commissioners regarding suggesting names for a Mental Retardation Board.

It was noted that a new appointment to the Youngstown Board of Health was due April 1st.

Dr. Fisher asked for good attendance at the Medical-legal Banquet on March 19.

Meeting was adjourned.

—Howard Rempes
Executive Secretary

April 16

F. W. Dunlea
P. B. Geiber

April 18

V. L. Goodwin

April 19

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MEDICAL WINNER TAKES TOP STATE HONORS

Roberta Kuebler, Chaney High School girl who received the Mahoning County Medical Society award at the 1967 Science Fair, has gone on to greater honors. She won the best exhibit award at the Greater Ohio Science Fair in March, and will represent the State at the annual International Science Fair in Detroit in May.

Miss Kuebler's exhibit, "Nutritional Studies with Corn," was reported in the April, 1967, *Bulletin*. The judges who picked Miss Kuebler's exhibit for the Medical Society award were Dr. John Stotler, Dr. John Melnick and Dr. Michael Vuksta.

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	Resident		Non-Resident		Total
	M.	F.	M.	F.	
Births	96	77	105	119	397
Deaths	66	51	64	48	229
Infant Deaths	4	0	5	2	11

FEBRUARY, 1967

Births	98	84	104	97	383
Deaths	82	70	71	44	267
Infant Deaths	2	6	4	2	14

COMMUNICABLE DISEASES

	1968		1967	
	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths
Scarlet Fever	1	0	0	0
Tuberculosis	5	2	2	2
Gonorrhea	0	0	18	0
Syphilis	0	0	19	0
Salmonella	1	0	0	0
Infectious Hepatitis	1	0	0	0

VENEREAL DISEASES

	New Cases	Male	Female
Syphilis		1	2
Gonorrhea		7	2
Total patients			12
Total visits (patients)			104

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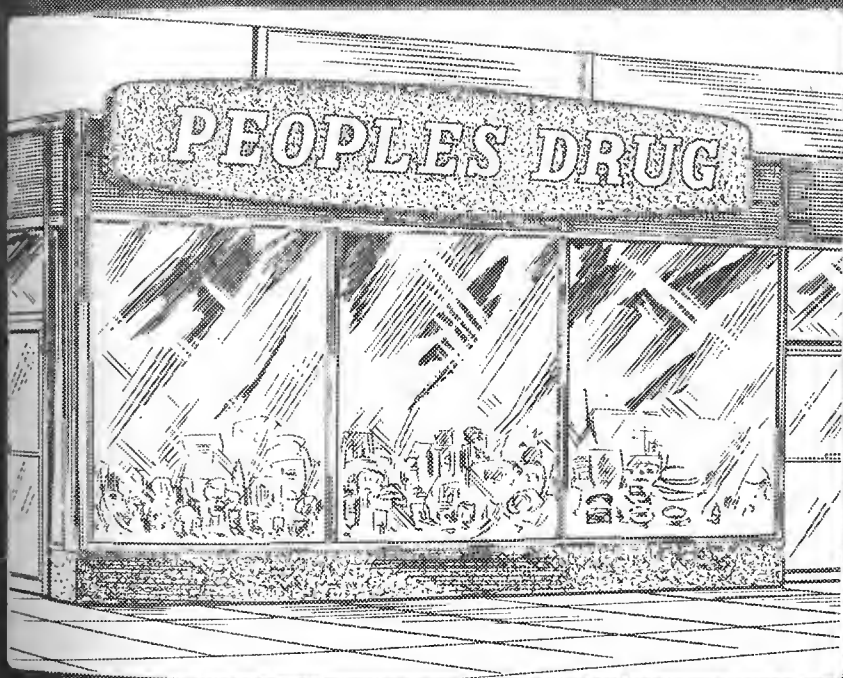
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